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1977 APPROPRIATIONS BILL FOR LIBRARY SENT TO HOUSE

The Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives reported (House Report 94-1225) on June 8 H.R. 14238, a bill making appropriations for the legislative branch for fiscal year 1977. Included in this bill is a recommendation for an appropriation of $135,415,100 for the operation of the Library of Congress. The allowance for 1977 is $7,568,100 below the amount requested and $16,289,700 above appropriations for fiscal 1976.

Under the appropriation Salaries and Expenses, which supports the Library's basic operations, including the Office of the Librarian, the Law Library, and the Administrative, Processing, Reader Services, and Research Departments, an appropriation of $66,589,400 is recommended. The 1977 recommendation is $2,074,600 less than requested and $7,469,600 more than the 1976 appropriation. The request was for 164 new positions; the Committee approved funds for 68, of which 11 are for the Reader Services Department, 4 for the Research Department, 18 for the Processing Department, 33 for the Administrative Department, and 2 for the Office of the Librarian. Under this appropriation an increase of $390,310 was allowed for the preservation of library materials, and an additional $4,569,148 was allowed for non-personal services, the bulk of which is for payment to the General Services Administration for the rental of space. An increase of $395,025 has been approved for continuance of the National Program of Acquisitions and Cataloging at the current level. The Committee has disapproved the establishment of two new overseas offices tentatively planned for Hong Kong and Bogota, Colombia. The request for eight positions and $283,040 for the newly authorized American Folklife Center has been approved.

Under appropriations for the Copyright Office, a total of $8,277,300, with the restriction that $552,000 of the appropriation shall be available only upon enactment of copyright revision legislation, was recommended for fiscal 1977. The latter figure will provide for 23 new positions. Increases in the amount of $747,800 over 1976 appropriations are provided for regular Copyright Office functions, including 18 new positions.

The Committee approved $559,500, as requested,

JULY 4 HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE

In observance of the nation's 200th anniversary, the Library of Congress Building will be open to visitors on the weekend of July 4. Although service in the reading rooms will be suspended on July 4 and 5, the Main Reading Room and exhibition halls will be open to visitors from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Regular Saturday service will be offered on July 3. Tours will be given from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on July 3, 4, and 5.

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for the National Commission on New Technological Uses of Copyrighted Works for fiscal 1977, subject to the enactment of legislation extending the current appropriation authorization which expires on September 30, 1976.

For salaries and expenses for the Congressional Research Service, a total of $19,293,200 is recommended for fiscal 1977, which is $1,035,800 less than requested and $2,128,200 above the 1976 amount. Of the 88 positions requested, the Committee approved 27.

Under the appropriation Distribtuion of Catalog Cards, the Committee recommended an appropriation of $11,993,000 for fiscal 1977.

The Committee approved the request of $1,760,000 for Books for the General Collections, an increase of $65,000 over fiscal 1976 appropriations.

For Books for the Law Library, $286,000 was approved by the Committee, an increase of $35,000 above the 1976 level.

For the operation of the Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped for fiscal 1977, a total of $20,800,800 is recommended. This amount is $1,836,200 less than the amount requested and $4,895,800 above 1976 appropriations.

The Committee recommended approval of the 1977 request for $2,910,200 for the Collection and Distribution of Library Materials (Special Foreign Currency Program).

For furniture and furnishings for the Library of Congress, a total of $2,909,700 is recommended, including $1,729,000 for the initial outfitting of the James Madison Memorial Building.

For the revision of the *Annotated Constitution*, an appropriation of $36,000 is recommended.

The Committee retained a limitation on expenses of Attendance at Meetings but increased the amount from $75,000 in fiscal 1976 to $88,500 for fiscal 1977.

Under funds for the Architect of the Capitol, the Committee approved $2,312,200, including a reappropriation of $71,000 for the Rare Book Reading Room project, for the care and improvement of the Library of Congress buildings during fiscal year 1977.

The bill now goes to the U.S. House of Representatives.

EXHIBIT TRACES CZECH/SLOVAK CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNITED STATES

"Czechs and Slovaks in the United States," an exhibit prepared by Anita R. Navon of the Slavic and Central European Division, illustrates the history of cultural and economic contributions of Czech and Slovak immigrants in colonial America and to the United States. Materials on display trace the history of the immigration from Augustine Herrman, author of the rare and important map of Virginia and Maryland (1637), through the arrival of the Moravian Brethren in the 1740's and the period of mass migration beginning after 1848, to the political immigrations after 1938; it concludes with a poster and stills of Miloš Forman's prize-winning film *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.*

Also on display are an 1862 issue of *Slávie*, one of the earliest Czech newspapers in America, a 1905 edition of a grammar and phrasebook for new Slovak immigrants, a phonograph record of one of the Texas Bača family bands, a holograph score of the composer Bohuslav Martinů, and a printed volume of anthropologist Aleš Hrdlička's *Alaska Diary*. Several items,

including the issue of *Slávie,* come from the Thomas Čapek collection in the Manuscript Division, a collection of written and published materials used in his writings by Čapek, "historian of the American Czech."

The exhibit also celebrates the Eighth Congress of the Czechoslovak Society of Arts and Sciences in America, to be held in Washington in August and to be devoted to the theme Czech and Slovak Contributions to the United States. The display will be open to the public from June 1 through August 31 in the west foyer, Fifth Floor, Thomas Jefferson Building.

LIBRARY PUBLISHES MAJOR REFERENCE COLLECION GUIDE

The Main Reading Room of the Library of Congress houses one of the largest general reference collections in the world. A subject guide to this impressive, 44,000-volume collection is now available in a 638-page bound publication, *The Library of Congress Main Reading Room Reference Collection Subject Catalog.* Arranged alphabetically by Library of Congress subject headings, the new catalog contains multiple entries for the 11,000 monographs and 3,000 serials which were in the reference collection on January 1, 1975. A special characteristic of the catalog is the application of numerous additional subject headings to provide greater depth and consistency in subject indexing.

The Main Reading Room reference collection is particularly strong in the humanities, social sciences, and bibliography; it also contains over 900 Library of Congress publications. Libraries throughout the world may find this catalog helpful in reviewing and building their own reference collections.

The first Library of Congress computer-produced catalog to list both monographs and serials, the publication is a joint product of the General Reference and Bibliography Division, Reader Services Department (the former Reference Department), and the MARC Development Office, Processing Department. It was compiled by Katherine Ann Gardner, Public Reference Section, General Reference and Bibliography Division. A classified catalog arranged by call number is planned for 1977.

The subject catalog is available for $13 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 (stock No. 030-001-00067-2). Copies may be obtained in person at the Information Counter in the Library of Congress Building.

On Monday, June 7, a team of experts gathered at the Library of Congress to examine the eyeglasses carried by President Abraham Lincoln on the night of his assassination [see LC Information Bulletin *for February 27, pp. 124-125]. Dr. William B. Glew, chairman of the department of ophthalmology at the Washington Hospital Center, Dr. Lorenz E. Zimmerman, chief of the Department of Ophthalmic Pathology, Armed Forces Institute of Pathology, Dr. Kenneth J. Myers, Director of Optometry, Department of Medicine and Surgery, Veterans Administration, and John Donnelly, owner, and Frank Namisniak, general manager, Franklin and Co., made the examination.*

It was determined that Lincoln was presbyopic; at age 56, he was experiencing the not unusual difficulty of accommodation and inability to obtain a sharp focus for near vision–in other words, he needed glasses for reading. A detailed report of the findings of the examination will be published in a professional journal, and a copy will be deposited in the Library of Congress.

Dr. Glew and Dr. Zimmerman are shown above examining one pair of glasses on the lensometer.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION REVISING INSURANCE PAMPHLET

The Civil Service Commission has announced that it is reviewing and revising Standard Form 176-A, the pamphlet containing information for employees about the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program. When the revised pamphlet is available, it will be distributed to all members of the Library staff.

In the meantime, the following information concerning the Life Insurance Program is available.

Participation in the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program is not compulsory; it is voluntary.

The decision to elect or waive insurance coverage is a personal decision and should be based on the employee's evaluation of his or her own situation, existing insurance program, plans, and needs—both short and long range.

The Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program is not designed, nor is it intended, to meet the insurance needs of each individual employee or of all employees. It is a **group** program in principles and concepts.

One of the primary objectives of the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Program is to attract and retain qualified employees in Government service. It is, therefore, designed primarily to provide group insurance over a full career in Government service and into retirement.

The regular insurance program is funded by level premiums. The level premiums in the early years of employment (younger employees) exceed the cost of the insurance protection. They are lower than the cost of the insurance protection in the later years of employment as the employee advances in age.

Assets adequate to offset the deficiency in the premiums from older persons are provided by accumulating the excess of premiums from younger employees and premiums from those who leave the group prematurely.

A level premium is the only arrangement under which it is possible to provide insurance protection to persons in the uppermost limits of the human lifespan without the premium increasing, and eventually becoming prohibitive, as age increases.

The level premiums also include an amount needed to cover the cost of the continuation of insurance coverage after retirement when payments of premiums are no longer made.

The premiums are determined, and periodically adjusted, based on the experience and composition of all persons participating in the program.

The insurance has no cash value.

No cash or surrender value, experience rating, and level premiums are typical of group insurance plans. They are also in keeping with group insurance concepts and principles as opposed to individual insurance policies or programs.

The present regular insurance program is a compromise which attempts to meet some of the insurance needs of the career employee over the entire period of his or her service, including retirement.

TJB GETS A FRESH BREATH

The eight air-conditioning systems serving the fifth floor of the Thomas Jefferson Building have been completely modified. These systems now move 85,200 cubic feet of air per minute with a cooling capacity of 2,556,000 BTU's per hour, equivalent to 213 tons of refrigeration. Most of the work, begun in March and completed a little over a month ago, was done in the air distribution rooms on the fourth floor. Prefilters for the outside air and return air, and multi-pocket high efficiency filters for final filtration, were added to all systems, and the mixing air chambers and returns were altered for better air distribution and mixing. The pneumatic control systems have been modified in order to regulate temperature and humidity conditions.

The supervising engineer has estimated that it will take from six to eight weeks of adjustments before the systems can be properly controlled. During the adjustment period, dampers and volume controls in the systems will have to be moved, which will break loose some collected dirt and dust. The new air filters, however, will keep the dirt and dust to a minimum.

The engineer force has expressed its belief that the new systems will make working conditions more comfortable for Library staff with proper air volume, temperature, and humidity levels.

STAFF NEWS

DEATH OF STAFF MEMBER

Forrest Joseph Nelson, III, clerk in the Congressional Reference Division of the Congressional Research Service, died May 27. He had been an employee of the Library since June 10, 1975, and was a student at Montgomery Junior College.

Contributions from the Congressional Reference Division will be sent to The Children's Hospital in his memory.

Mr. Nelson is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest J. Nelson, Jr., and a sister, Avis Renee.

AWARDS

Wardell A. England, senior accounting clerk in the Photoduplication Service, was presented a 30-year Federal Service Award pin on June 4 by Edmond L. Applebaum, director of the Administrative Department.

Before coming to the Library, Mr. England served three years with the U.S. Army and was employed in the U.S. Post Office in Chicago for approximately two years.

Mr. England joined the staff of the Loan Division in September 1951 and was transferred to the Photoduplication Service in July 1954. In February 1966, he received a quality increase for sustained highlevel performance of his duties. Mr. England was promoted to his present position in June 1972.

Ell B. Childs, motor vehicle operator in the Copyright Office, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award pin on April 29 by Register of Copyrights Barbara Ringer, who emphasized Mr. Childs' competent and reliable assistance and expressed her personal appreciation for his service to the Copyright Office.

Mr. Childs came to the Library of Congress in 1953 after working for two years for the District of Columbia public school system. His previous employment was in private business.

Mr. Childs received an outstanding performance rating in 1975.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Economist Kaufman New Senior Specialist

Alvin Kaufman has been appointed senior specialist in business economics (resources and regulation) in the Economics Division of the Congressional Research Service. Mr. Kaufman has over 20 years of experience as an economist, the last five of which have been with the New York Public Service Commission.

A native of Philadelphia, Mr. Kaufman received a bachelor's degree in mineral economics from Pennsylvania State College in 1950. He also has done graduate work in economics at American University.

Mr. Kaufman worked at the Bureau of Mines of the U.S. Department of the Interior from February 1954 to October 1967. He began as a commodity-industry analyst, became a mineral economist in 1961, a staff coordinator in the Division of Economic Analysis in 1963, and assistant chief of that division in 1966. From October 1967 to April 1969, Mr. Kaufman served as the first chief of the Branch of Mineral Economics in the Bureau of Land Management. In that position he was primarily responsible for advising on offshore petroleum leasing policy.

Mr. Kaufman returned to the Bureau of Mines in April 1969 as chief of the Special Studies Group. He was reassigned to the position of senior staff specialist-minerals in November 1969, to acting assistant director of mineral resource evaluation in February 1970, and to chief of the Office of Economic Analysis in April 1970. In the latter position, he supervised and conducted a variety of studies dealing with import quotas and tariffs, ocean mining economics, and geothermal energy.

From August 1970 to January 1975, Mr. Kaufman served as the first director of the Office of Economic Research of the New York Public Service Commission. He prepared research reports on natural gas shortages, other fuel and energy problems, and the problems of the electrical utilities. In January 1975, he became director of the Office of Research, serving as staff to Commission Chairman Alfred E. Kahn on nuclear and energy conservation matters and preparing analyses on various fuel and economic issues.

Mr. Kaufman has published extensively in his field, particularly on energy issues.

Appointments: Kenneth DeJarnette, specialist in transportation, GS-15, CRS E, 1560; Julius Lyons, reading room assistant, GS-2, S&R, OP 6-600; James Winters, motor vehicle operator, WG-5, CS, 1883; Tyrell Woodard, deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, OP 4-600; Mary Yarnall, clerk-typist, GS-4, Loan, 1875.

Temporary Appointments: Adrien Beaulieu, motion picture assistant, GS-5, P&P, NP; Royce Crocker, analyst in American national government, GS-11, CRS G, 1700; Lisa Hicks, secretary (typing), GS-5, DMPO, NP; Jeffery Robertson, reading room assistant, GS-2, S&R, OP 5-600.

Reappointments: Arnita Cole, searcher-filer, GS-5, Cat Publ, 1589; Sylvia Csiffary, personnel clerk (typing), GS-3, Place & Class, NP; Gale Mattox, foreign affairs analyst, GS-7, CRS F, NP; John Mitrisin, analyst in public finance, GS-14, CRS E, 1711; Albert Peterson, library aid, GS-3, E&G, 1803; Caesar Williams, senior programmer, GS-12, ISO, 1846.

Promotions: Carolyn Alexander, to supervisor, GS-11, Subj Cat, 1874; Patricia Clark, to clerk (typing), GS-6, CRS A, 1856; Sharon Green, to departmental secretary, GS-9, CRS D, 1858; Darryl Himes, to deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, OP

Librarian Daniel J. Boorstin participated in an Indian-government-sponsored conference of American and Indian historians held in Goa on March 2-5. Dr. Boorstin took the opportunity offered by the trip to make brief official visits to the Library's field offices in Egypt, India, and Indonesia. The photograph (left) of the Jakarta office shows Dr. and Mrs. Boorstin with Eunice S. Gupta, field director of the office, and members of the local staff: (left to right) F. P. Massy, Paul Soesanto, Mrs. Guus Kamaril, Niny Viranica, Mrs. Boorstin, Mrs. Stella Siagian, Mr. Guritno, Oni Halim, Mr. Soetjipto, Mrs. Gupta, Dr. Boorstin, Abdul Suchud, and Mr. Nardi.

4-600; Douglas Mandell, to bibliographic assistant, GS-5, CRS L, 1912; Martha Merritt, to supervisor, GS-11, Subj Cat, 1873; Melvin Peterson, to assistant chief, cataloging division, GS-14, Cop Cat, 1867; Monica Pittman, to post editor, GS-9, Ser Rec, 1905; Betsy Sutton, to senior serial recorder, GS-7, Cop Cat, 1897; Sharon Wilk, to reviser, GS-9, Desc Cat, 1811; Vincent Wintermyer, to records management specialist, GS-12, Cop Ref, 1853.

Resignations: Henry Canaday, CRS E; Deborah Edwards, S&R; Rachelle Harris, Ord; Ralph Kirscher, CRS G; Mary Lang, Cat Mgmt; Bruce MacPherson, CRS L; Linda Mitchell, Ord; Sharon Salpini, Place & Class; Sirikanya Schaeffer, Desc Cat; James Slack, S&R; Barbara Walker, CRS D.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Elemer Bako, Finno-Ugrian area specialist in the Slavic and Central European Division, was a speaker at a commemorative program presented by The Citadel Military Academy of South Carolina, in Charleston, and by the Colonel Michael de Kovats Historical Society, of New York City, at the Citadel's Kovats Monument on May 15. Mr. Bako's topic was "The Historical Importance of Colonel Michael de Kovats, Hungarian-born Colonel Commandant of the Pulaski Legion." Colonel Kovats was killed during the successful defense of Charleston on May 11, 1779.

Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin was awarded the degree of Doctor of Letters by the University of Michigan on May 1. In conferring the degree, the university cited Dr. Boorstin's series of books entitled *The Americans* and said ". . . you have shown us in these and other landmark writings how American social and political institutions reflect their development in a frontier culture, and what their future trends are likely to be."

Robert L. Chartrand, specialist in information sciences for the Congressional Research Service, served as chairman of the panel on Unmet Needs of Special Groups during the Symposium on the Handling of Toxicological Information held at the National Institutes of Health on May 28. He spoke on the diverse information requirements of Federal and State legislators while the other panelists discussed similar needs of industry, the media, and the citizen. The conference was sponsored by the Toxicology Information Subcommittee of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Committee to Coordinate Toxicology and Related Programs. Mr. Chartrand also participated in two other panels, the first focusing on Legislative Information Systems, part of a broader series of discussions on public administration under the aegis of the American Society for Public Administration, at ASPA's 1976 national conference in Washington, D.C., on April 20. The second event was the annual Kenyon Public Affairs Forum convened at Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, a two-and-one-half day meeting on National Purposes in 1976. Mr. Chartrand and **Walter Kravitz**, CRS senior specialist in American national government, participated as observers and commentators along with Roderick MacLeish, Haynes Johnson, Michael Novick, and Benjamin Barber.

Frank Kurt Cylke, chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, addressed members of the University of Minnesota library staff and librarians from the Twin City area in Minneapolis on May 27. Mr. Cylke discussed the Library of Congress program designed to serve blind and physically handicapped readers and particpated in open discussion of appropriate library services for visually handicapped university students. On May 26, he made a presentation to the Health Science Libraries class of the University of

Minnesota graduate library school.

Louis Fisher, specialist in American national government in the Congressional Research Service, is the recipient of the 1976 Louis Brownlow Book Award for his book *Presidential Spending Power*. The award is given by the National Academy of Public Administration to works which best embody factual accuracy, analytical thinking, and readable style. Mr. Fisher received the award on May 20 at the academy's spring meeting.

Gerard W. Gawalt, historical specialist in the American Revolution Bicentennial Office, has two articles re-published in *Readings in American Legal History* published by Greenwood Press. The articles, "Sources of Anti-Lawyer Sentiment in Massachusetts, 1740-1840" and "Massachusetts Legal Education in Transition, 1766-1840," originally appeared in the *American Journal of Legal History*.

Mark A. Lillis, assistant chief of the Reference Division, Copyright Office, addressed a special joint class enrolled in graphic arts studies on April 27 at Montgomery College, Rockville, Md. About 50 students and faculty attended the session which examined major aspects of copyright protection under the present law. Changes contemplated under general revision of the law were also analyzed, with emphasis given to those features of special interest to students and practitioners of the visual arts.

Marvin W. McFarland, chief of the Science and Technology Division, has been active in several projects in Philadelphia related to American Revolution Bicentennial celebrations. As consultant to the president of Girard College and to the Committee on Stephen Girard Papers and Effects, he has assisted Lynch Industries, Inc., in the design and installation of an exhibition in three Federal-period room settings of Stephen Girard's furniture, silver, paintings, and other household objects as a part of a larger Bicentennial show, "Heritage Encounter," sponsored by the Copernicus Society. Housed in the Bourse Building near Independence Hall, this exhibition opened on May 25 and will run until the end of the year. Mr. McFarland also prepared and installed the Stephen Girard Bicentennial exhibit of French and American 18th- and early 19th-century prints, manuscripts, and documents in Founder's Hall, Girard College. This exhibition opened on May 22 in connection with the observance of the 226th anniversary of Girard's birth and is designed to mark the bicentennial of his first arrival in Philadelphia, on June 6, 1776. The exhibit, together with the permanent Stephen Girard Collection, is open to the public on Thursday afternoons throughout the summer and fall. On Sunday afternoon, May 23, in a special memorial program at Girard College, Mr. McFarland delivered a talk, "Stephen Girard of Philadelphia." He described the circumstances of the arrival of the young French merchant sea captain in the Revolutionary capital just four weeks before the signing of the Declaration of Independence and presented the stages of his development as an American humanitarian and philanthropist. At the conclusion of the program, Emil Zarella, acting president of the college, presented Mr. McFarland a handsomely framed full-size color reproduction of the oil portrait of Stephen Girard by Bass Otis as a token of appreciation.

Stefanie Munsing, curator of historical prints, Prints and Photographs Division, selected the prints and wrote the catalog for a current exhibition at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, entitled "Symbols of Peace." The exhibit explores the iconography of William Penn's Peace Treaty with the Indians, from Benjamin West's painting to copies in a variety of media, including prints, books, ceramics, textiles, toys, painting, and sculpture. Miss Munsing also contributed entries on prints to the catalog of the Philadelphia Museum of Art's Bicentennial exhibition, "Philadelphia: Three Centuries of American Art," which opened in Philadelphia in April.

Barbara Ringer, Register of Copyrights, addressed the annual meeting of International P.E.N. at the American Center in New York, N.Y., on June 1. She also spoke on "Revision of the Copyright Law: Its Implications for Libraries and Information Centers" at the annual meeting of the Rochester Regional Research Library Council in Rochester, N.Y., on June 3. On June 5, the Register spoke at a music workshop at Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.

Joseph En-pao Wang, head, Far East Language Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, is the editor of *Selected Legal Documents of the People's Republic of China*. The book is a new publication for University Publications of America.

Christopher Wright of the Task Force Office is the author of an article on "Congressional Librarians" in the June issue of *American Libraries*. The article discusses the role of Congressional Research Service as a "crack team of librarians, information technicians, and subject specialists" who cater to Congress' information needs.

The activities of **Winston Tabb**, head librarian in the Congressional Reading Room, and **Susan Finsen**, assistant section head, Subject Specialization Section, Library Service Division, are used as examples of the

Library's "front room" and "back room" operations. Both of the Library's employees give their comments and opinions on such topics as the worth of library school, non-librarian information specialists, and their own jobs.

ACTIVITIES OF FORMER STAFF MEMBER

Morton H. Friedman, formerly in the Library's Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, is the author of an article, "A Computerized Bibliographic Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped" in the December issue of the *Journal of Library Automation.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Johns are the parents of a son, Samuel Paul, born May 22 at Georgetown University Hospital. Mrs. Johns is a copyright searcher in the Copyright Office, and Mr. Johns is a catalog filer in the Catalog Management Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard I. Korman are the parents of a daughter, Meredith Alison, born June 1 in Sibley Memorial Hospital. Mr. Korman is a specialist in Government Document and Serial Bibliography in the Serial Division.

The **Library of Congress Federal Credit Union** announces a series of lunchtime talks and discussions on money management. The first program, "Why Have a Budget? How Do I Start," will be held on Wednesday, June 30, at 11:45 a.m. in the Whittall Pavilion. Panelists are Jane Lindley, General Reference and Bibliography Division; Jennifer Magnus, Order Division; Jim Mitchell, Library of Congress Credit Union manager; and Arthur Lieb, Subject Cataloging Division. A question-and-answer period will follow the panel discussion. All Library staff members are invited to attend.

The officers of the **WRA Choral Society** for the calendar year 1976 are Leo Anderson, Descriptive Cataloging Division, president; Nancy Bell, MARC Editorial Division, secretary; George Hobart, Prints and Photographs Division, librarian; and Dwight Spencer, Photoduplication Service, business-stage manager. Codirectors of the society are Maxine Christian, Subject Cataloging Division, and Leontine Connolly, Congressional Research Service.

LCPA BOOKSALE REMINDER

The 5th annual Library of Congress Professional Association Book Sale will be held on Thursday, June 24, on Deck 14 of the Library of Congress Building from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. All employees are invited to attend. LC passes will be required until 1 p.m.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Middle East. ISSN 0041-7769. Vol. 14, Nos. 1 & 2. January and February, 1976. (pp. 1-31) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Acting Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

Current Antarctic Literature. ISSN 0096-879X. No. 44. April 1976. Entries 16502-16654. Prepared by the Cold Regions Bibliography Project in the Science and Technology Division of the Library of Congress for the Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation. Available free from the Polar Information Service, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C. 20550.

In Process Materials: A MARC Format. ISBN 0-8444-0166-8. (29 p.) For sale for 85 cents from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402 (stock No. 030-000-00080-3).

The Library of Congress Main Reading Room Reference Collection Subject Catalog. ISBN 0-8444-0167-6. 1975. (vi-638 p.) For sale by the Superintendent of Docuements for $13 (stock No. 030-001-00067-2).

National Union Catalog Register of Additional Locations 1974. Vol. I: Card Numbers 56-87 to 72-329446. (xvi, 1,290 p.) Vol. II: Card Numbers 72-329451 to 79-983266. (2,593 p.) Distributed by the Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20541, as part of the subscription to the *National Union Catalog.*

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication After December 31, 1949. ISSN 0028-6680. May 1976. (iv, 45 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for $170 for the year's subscription which consists of eight monthly and four quarterly issues, and an annual volume which cumulates one to five years.

New Serial Titles–Classed Subject Arrangement. ISSN 0028-6699. May 1976. (44 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and published monthly by the Cata-

loging Distribution Service for $35 a year.

Newspaper and Gazette Report. ISSN 0361-0152. No. 1. 1976. (16 p.) Published three times a year in April, August, and December, this publication reports on developments in the location, microfilming preservation, and bibliographic control of newspapers and foreign official gazettes. Available free to libraries and institutions from the Central Services Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Supplement to LC Subject Headings 1974-1975. Quarterly Cumulative Supplement to the 8th edition. (ix, 413 p.) For sale by the Cataloging Distribution Service for $35 a year for three cumulative issues and an annual supplement which cumulates in a single volume all additions and changes made since publication of the 8th edition.

Library of Congress Regulations: No. 211-10 (May 10) established the Library Environment Resources Office, Office of the Librarian; Nos. 212-3, 1818-1, and 1818-2 (May 10) reflected the current responsibilities for building planning and space management; Nos. 212-3 (May 10), Building Planning Office, and 218-13 (May 10), Physical Facilities Committee, have been cancelled; No. 2012-2 (May 12) brought pages 1, 6, 7, and 8 up to date in accordance with Public Law 93-508 on military service; No. 2019-3.1 (May 13) revised page 1 concerning retirement deductions; No. 2017-3 (May 19), page 11, authorized division chiefs to present cash awards under certain conditions and provided that two major awards ceremonies will be held each year; No. 515 (May 20), page 2, increased the limits set forth under Section 4.A, within which exchanges of materials involving monetary evaluations may be approved at various administrative levels, in conformity with current policy; No. 2023-2 (May 20), page 3, concerned the selection of surplus Library materials for educational, institutional, and public bodies.

Special Announcements: No. 751 (May 3) concerned the appointment of a new Federal Women's Program Committee; No. 752 (May 4) designated, as approved by the President, the Library of Congress Annex Building as the Library of Congress Thomas Jefferson Building; the Main Building will be identified as the Library of Congress Building; No. 753 (May 7) gave the schedule for the Labor Management Relations training for supervisors; No. 754 (May 10) announced the appointment and assignment of personnel in the Office of the Librarian; No. 755 (May 18) gave the schedule for the Bloodmobile visit on June 9; No. 756 (May 19) announced the Memorial Day Holiday; No. 757 (May 20) concerned the Tuition Support Program for Library staff for fiscal year 1977.

Press Releases: No. 76-7 (February 4) Library of Congress Names Edmond Applebaum Associate Director of Processing Department; No. 76-8 (February 9) Popular Guide, Your Income Tax, Made Available in Braille for First Time by Library of Congress; No. 76-9 (February 9) Library of Congress to Reveal Contents of Mystery Box; No. 76-10 (February 10) Reception to Celebrate American Folklife Center; No. 76-11 (February 11) LC Celebrates Afro-American History Month with Exhibits & Poetry Reading; No. 76-12 (February 11) Library of Congress Releases First of Two Recordings in "Folk Music in America" Series; No. 76-13 (February 20) Library of Congress Publishes Spanish Translation of Leaflet About Services for Blind and Physically Handicapped Readers; No. 76-14 (February 20) Robert Hayden Named Consultant in Poetry to Library of Congress; No. 76-15 (February 20) LC Stages Exhibition Science in Colonial America; No. 76-16 (February 23) Librarian of Congress Announces Personnel Reassignments; No. 76-17 (February 23) Council on Library Resources Makes New Grant to Library of Congress; No. 76-18 (February 24) Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress for January 1976 Released; No. 76-19 (February 24) Library of Congress to Present Welsh Company of Actors "Pryderi and His Pigs"; No. 76-20 (February 24) Library of Congress Spotlights Contemporary Printmaking Techniques in Current Exhibition; No. 76-21 (February 24) Library of Congress Holds Fifth Symposium, The American Revolution: A Continuing Commitment May 6 and 7; No. 76-22 (February 26) Library of Congress Devotes Issue to Women; No. 76-23 (March 1) Indiana Bicentennial Groups Present Braille Transcriptions of Historic American Documents to LC; No. 76-24 (March 4) Library of Congress and Eastman School of Music to Premiere First American Opera-Ballad Opera to be Performed October 29 and 30; No. 76-25 (March 10) Levertov and Tate to Read Poems at Library of Congress on March 15; No. 76-26 (March 15) Humphrey Searle to Give Elson Lecture on Schoenberg at Library of Congress on April 19; No. 76-27 (March 16) Archibald MacLeish Will Give Poetry Reading at Library of Congress on March 29; No. 76-28 (March 23) Frank McGowan Appointed Processing Assistant Director (Acquisitions & Overseas Operations) at Library of Congress; No. 76-29 (March 26) Gertrude Clarke Whitthall Literary Manuscripts Are Put on Display at the Library of Congress; No. 76-30 (April 4) Paul Edlund Named Executive Officer of Library of Congress Processing Department; No. 76-31 (April 5) Lucia Rather Appointed Assistant Director (Cataloging) of the Processing Department, Library of Congress; No. 76-32 (April 6) Miriam Halpern Pereira to Lecture on Portugal at Library of Congress April 12; No. 76-33 (April 7) Library of Congress Appoints William W. Whitson Specialist in International Affairs and Chief of Foreign Affairs and National Defense Division; and No. 76-34 (April 7) List of Colonial Children's Books Is Issued by Library of Congress.

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

International Meetings Reported

Meetings of both the International Federation of Library Associations (IFLA) Working Group on Content Designators and the International Organization for Standardization's Technical Committee 46 (ISO/TC46) were held in Brussels between April 28 and May 7. Henriette D. Avram, special assistant for network development, and Lucia J. Rather, assistant director (cataloging) of the Processing Department, represented the Library of Congress.

During the three days of the IFLA meeting (April 28-30), the major problems remaining with the international format, UNIMARC (headings and linking fields), were resolved. The format for book materials will be published before the end of the year. The major significance of the completion of UNIMARC in the United States is that it should be an important factor in the Library of Congress' ability to accept machine-readable cataloging from the major European countries.

The ISO Working Group on Character Sets met on Tuesday, May 4, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Avram. The draft proposals on extended Latin, Cyrillic, and Greek and comments from the various national standards bodies were reviewed and the character sets amended to reflect these suggestions. These three sets will now be circulated for comment as Draft International Standards. The African set was approved for circulation as a Draft Proposal. The Mathematics Set was returned for further modification.

The ISO Working Group on Content Designators has been largely inactive pending the completion of the UNIMARC format. UNIMARC was submitted at this meeting (May 4, 1976) by the Swedish representative to be used as the basic working document of the group. Edwin Buchinski of the National Library of Canada will be the new convener of the group. The IFLA Working Group on Content Designators has, from the beginning, sent all its working papers to the ISO Working Group.

The ISO Working Group on Filing met on May 5 and reviewed a set of seven basic filing principles prepared by Michael Gorman, British Library. The principles were very general in nature, reflecting the fact that there seems to be little chance of arriving at a single international filing code in the near future. The principles described are basically those used in the new set of filing rules developed at the Library of Congress. Mr. Gorman and Dr. Van Wesemael of the Netherlands will prepare an annotated version of the principles with definitions and examples for the next meeting.

Working Group 4, responsible for the interchange format (ISO 2709), also met on May 5 to discuss several changes proposed by the German representative. The proposed changes provide for all existing implementations of the format to continue. The changes were not accepted but it was decided that the papers presented at the meeting be given wide distribution for comments and the discussion of changes be continued at the next ISO TC/46 meeting.

The Subcommittee 4 (SC4) planning session on May 6 followed the meetings of Working Groups 1, 2, 3, and 4. The report of each Working Group was presented.

ISO had some new rules affecting working groups. These were explained by the SC4 chairman, Gunnar Sundblad. From now on, only members will participate and the members will be selected by the national parent body (ANSI Z39 in the United States). This should facilitate the work.

The plenary session of Technical Committee 46 (Documentation) was held on May 6. The reports of all the Working Groups and Subcommittees were presented in both English and French. The principal topics for discussion were the appointment of a permanent president, the abolishment of Working Group 8 (Compatibility Standards and Information Networks), and the formation of a Steering Committee. The motion of a permanent president was voted down; majority opinion was that the selection of a permanent president would detract from the dynamic needs of ISO TC46. Working Group 8 was abolished in favor of a steering committee made up of representatives from six countries selected by the national standards body of each country.

[*Henriette D. Avram*]

Symposium on Research, Social History, and Children's Literature Held

Two days of lectures and discussions on the importance, use, and preservation of various forms of children's literature for interdisciplinary research were sponsored on May 14-15 by the School of Library Science, Simmons College, with the cooperation of ALA's Children's Services Division Committee on National Planning for Special Collections.

Frances Henne, professor emerita at Columbia University School of Library Service, provided opening statements on the reflection of American society to be found in children's literature and in a concluding

summary enumerated areas for investigation.

Authors of published research who presented papers illustrating kinds of resources for study included Anne S. MacLeod, University of Maryland College of Library and Information Service, whose book, *The Morale Tale: Children's Fiction and American Culture, 1820-1860* (Archon, 1976), furnishes clear evidence of the value of children's books for pictures of social value and culture; R. Gordon Kelly, professor of American civilization, University of Pennsylvania, author of *Mother Was a Lady: Self and Society in Selected American Periodicals, 1865-1890* (Greenwood Press, 1974), which reveals the value of the late 19th-century children's magazines for research; Fred Erisman, professor of English, Texas Christian University and editor of *American Literary Realism* (the sixth volume of which includes his "American Regional Juvenile Literature, 1870-1910"), who related children's regional literature to that for adults; and Barbara Bader, editor of *Kirkus Reviews* and author of *American Picturebooks from Noah's Ark to the Beast Within* (Macmillan, 1976), who discussed in "Researching the American Picturebook" the sources she used for this monumental study.

The papers of four curators introduced problems of preservation, the need for sound bibliographical help, and the diminishing supply and increasing cost of early children's books. Howell J. Heaney, librarian, Rare Book Department, Free Library of Philadelphia, presented the economic aspects of today's disappearing and more costly works; Frederick E. Bauer, Jr., associate librarian, American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass., discussed problems of preservation, including ignorance, technical reticence and confusion, and other difficulties; Gerald Gottlieb, curator of early children's books, Pierpont Morgan Library, New York City, and compiler of the exhibit catalog, *The Illustration of Early Children's Books* (Godine, 1975), enumerated many areas for needed research, among them studies of individual firms, the book trade, bindings, concealed authorship, individual artists and engravers, and typography; and Marjorie G. Wynne, research librarian, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University, described the values of letters, manuscripts, and original art for children's literature study in this rich collection.

Completing the full program were James Fraser, director of Friendship Library, Fairleigh Dickinson University and editor of *Phaedrus: A Journal of Children's Literature Research*, on the subject of locating children's literature published by foreign-language presses in the United States; slide presentation revealing social history in children's book art offered by Edgar deN. Mayhew, director, Lyman Allyn Museum, and professor of art history, Connecticut College, and by Jane C. Nylander, curator of textiles and ceramics, Old Sturbridge Village; Walter Savage, professor of English, Fairleigh Dickinson University, with a discussion of "Lost Innocence in the American Comic Strip"; followed by a showing of the 1912 film, "The Cry of the Children," presented by Marshall Deutelbaum, assistant director, Film Department, International Museum of Photography at George Eastman House in Rochester, N.Y.

The Boston Public Library provided a reception at which Director Philip J. McNiff spoke on "Genesis of a Research Collection" and invited the symposium guests to visit the international exhibit of children's books assembled for its recent Children's Books International program.

[*Virginia Haviland* and *Margaret Coughlan*]

Archives Institute Participants Meet at LC

Participants of the 35th Institute in Modern Archives Administration, held in Washington, D.C., spent May 18 at the Library of Congress in a program organized by the Manuscript Division.

Manuscript Division staff members who addressed the gathering were John C. Broderick, chief, who spoke on "Acquisition of Manuscripts and Personal Papers, Past History and Present Practice," John D. Knowlton, head of the Preparation Section, on "Organization, Description, Preservation, and Handling," and Carolyn H. Sung, head, Reference and Reader Service Section, and John McDonough, manuscript historian, on "Reference and Reader Service." Harriet Ostroff, head, Manuscripts Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, discussed *The National Union Catalog of Manuscript Collections.*

The participants were joined for mid-morning coffee by Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Assistant Librarian of Congress (American and Library Studies), and by other officers and staff members of the Library. Mrs. Kegan, who is the current president of the Society of American Archivists, (SAA) reminded the group of the joint meeting of SAA and the International Congress on Archives in Washington on September 27-October 1. The day concluded with tours of the Manuscript Division and the Library of Congress Building.

The institute is sponsored by American University in cooperation with the National Archives and the Library of Congress. Approximately 50 archivists and

curators, among them one from Canada and one from Indonesia, participated in the 35th Institute, which was headed by C. F. W. Coker of the Printed Archives Branch, National Archives and Records Service, and editor of *The American Archivist.*

SAA Security Committee Meets

The advisory committee of the Archival Security Program of the Society of American Archivists (SAA) gathered at the Library of Congress for a day-long meeting on May 19. The chairman of the committee is Edmund Berkeley, Jr., curator of manuscripts at the Alderman Library, University of Virginia, Charlottesville. Other members are John C. Broderick, chief of the Library of Congress Manuscript Division; John M. Kinney, director of the Texas State Archives, Austin; Philip P. Mason, director of the Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs, Wayne State University, Detroit; and Clyde C. Walton, director of libraries, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, and chairman of the manuscripts committee of the Association of College and Research Libraries. Meeting with the committee were Ann Morgan Campbell, executive director of SAA and director of the Archival Security Program, and Timothy Walch, associate director. SAA president Elizabeth Hamer Kegan, Assistant Librarian (American and Library Studies), Library of Congress, joined the group for lunch.

The security program, which is supported by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, began June 15, 1975. The advisory committee convened for the first time in Chicago November 15, 1975.

At the May 19 meeting the committee discussed current program activities, including the Archival Security *Newsletter,* the register of lost or stolen archival materials, and presentations by the program director and associate director at appropriate professional meetings. The committee also considered legal implications of the register, as outlined by a recently employed legal consultant, and relations of the program to manuscript dealers and repositories. In the future, the committee will supervise issuance of an archival security *Manual,* designed to guide repositories in the creation of a security system. The SAA program will also include in the future a consultant service on archival security problems.

The next meeting of the committee will occur in late September, also in Washington, at the time of the joint meeting of SAA and the International Congress on Archives. [*John C. Broderick*]

COMING EVENTS

The U.S. Botanic Garden will be the site of the **Annual Lily Show,** sponsored by the Potomac Lily Society, on June 26-27. Entitled "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness," the show will include arrangements of lilies grown by members of the show's sponsoring organization, hundreds of hybrid lilies from commercial growers, and several educational exhibits. The show will be held from noon to 7 p.m. on June 26 and from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. on June 27. The Botanic Garden is located on First St. and Maryland Ave., S.W., at the foot of Capitol Hill. Admission is free.

Monday, July 12, has been set aside as **National Film Day** in recognition of the motion picture profession. Begun three years ago, the observance is a cooperative effort of major motion picture distributors and theater owners to raise funds for the American Film Institute. AFI, an independent non-profit organization established to preserve the heritage and advance the art of film in America, will receive a major portion of the gross revenues of the participating theaters on July 12. The White House has endorsed National Film Day in a Proclamation signed by President Ford that salutes motion pictures as "an art form that is one of our nation's proudest achievements."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The institutional membership of the **Continuing Library Education Network and Exchange** (CLENE) has been increased to 17 by the addition of the Library of Congress, the National Library of Medicine, and the National Agricultural Library, who will be represented by Henriette Avram, Charlotte Kenton, and Kevin Keany, respectively. This brings the total membership of CLENE to 443, including individual, institutional, association, and state agency members. The offices of CLENE are located at 620 Michigan Ave., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20064, tel. (202) 635-5087.

Literacy Action of Washington, D.C., a non-profit organization, is seeking volunteer reading tutors for its reading program. Tutors work twice a week in supervised one-to-one relationships with adults and teenagers who need basic reading skills. They also work with foreign-speaking adults needing English conversational and literacy skills. Persons interested in helping with the program can contact Literacy Action at 1750 Columbia Rd., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20009, tel. (202) 387-7775.

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